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### TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSE

Enclosed are the following documents in response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2003, for the above-identified application:

- ☒ Response
- ☒ Petition for One-Month Extension of Time
- ☒ Return receipt postcard
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$110.00 for the total fee as calculated below
- ☐ Request for Approval of Drawing Changes
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Notice of Appeal
- ☐ Associate Power
- ☐ Revocation and New Power
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- ☐ Other:

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Total Claims	20	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	- 3 =	0	x \$86.00	\$0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00					
Total Amendment Fee					\$0.00
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Other fees: <b>One-Month Extension of Time</b>					\$110.00
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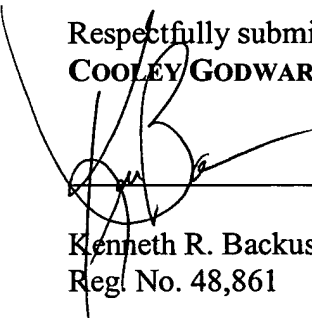
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